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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) A base for a light generating device or a leveling device, comprising:

a first portion having a planar surface and a concave recess in the planar surface; and

~~a first surface that comprises a connection structure to removably receive and mount either a light generating device or a leveling device thereto; and~~

a second portion attached to the first portion, the second portion having a
~~second surface comprising~~ a nonmechanical attachment structure opposite the first portion,

wherein the light generating device or leveling device is removably mounted to the first portion along the planar surface and the first portion is both pivotable and rotatable relative to the second portion ~~a portion of the connection structure is pivotably movable relative to the first surface.~~

2. (Original) The base of Claim 1, wherein the nonmechanical attachment structure comprises an adhesive.

3. (Canceled) ~~The base of Claim 1, further comprising an outer portion that includes a bottom surface, and an inner portion movably mounted to the outer portion.~~

4. (Currently Amended) The base of Claim [[3]] 1, further comprising a retainer having a flat surface and a convex surface opposite the flat surface, the retainer being disposed in the concave recess with the convex surface adjacent the concave recess and a fastener for joining the outer and inner portions.

5. (Currently Amended) The base of Claim ~~[[3]]~~ 1, wherein the ~~outer~~ first portion ~~comprises a~~ includes an outwardly curved inner surface opposite the planar surface, and the ~~inner~~ second portion ~~comprises a~~ includes an inwardly curved outer surface opposite the nonmechanical attachment structure, the outwardly curved surface being received by the inwardly curved surface that receives the connection structure.

6. (Currently Amended) The base of Claim 5, wherein the outwardly curved ~~outer~~ surface is swivelably mounted to the inwardly curved inner ~~inner~~ surface.

7. (Currently Amended) The base of Claim 1, wherein the laser generating device or leveling device is removably mounted to the first portion by one connection structure is selected from the group consisting of a magnet, a magnetically attractive material, a hook fastener, a loop fastener, a tab, a slot, a flat surface, and a latch.

8. (Canceled) ~~The base of Claim 7, wherein the connection structure further comprises a recess.~~

9. (Currently Amended) The base of Claim 2, wherein the adhesive protrudes from the second portion surface.

10. (Original) The base of Claim 2, wherein the adhesive further comprises a liner.

11. (Currently Amended) The base of Claim 2, wherein the adhesive is a removable pressure sensitive adhesive comprising; an inner portion attached to the second portion ~~surface~~, and an outer portion releasably attached to the inner portion.

12. (Original) The base of Claim 2, further comprising a second adhesive.

13. (Currently Amended) A light generating device with a base, comprising:
a base comprising:

a first portion having a first planar surface that includes a concave recess comprises a connection structure; and

a second portion attached to the first portion, the second portion having surface comprising a nonmechanical attachment structure opposite the first portion; and

[[a]] the light generating device being removably mounted to the first surface portion along the first planar surface via the connection structure,

wherein the first portion is both pivotable and rotatable relative to the second portion a portion of the connection structure is pivotably movable relative to the first surface.

14. (Original) The device of Claim 13, wherein the light generating device generates a laser beam.

15. (Original) The device of Claim 14, wherein the light generating device generates the laser beam with an asymmetric intensity.

16. (Original) The device of Claim 13, wherein the light generating device generates light in the shape of a fan.

17. (Currently Amended) The device of Claim 16, wherein the light generating device comprises a housing with the at least one flat surface ~~extending along a first planar surface~~ and the fan substantially lies within a second plane that intersects ~~the first planar a plane defined by the at least one flat surface~~ at an angle.

18. (Original) The device of Claim 13, wherein the light generating device further comprises a retractable pin and an actuator for the pin.

19. (Original) The device of Claim 13, wherein the nonmechanical attachment structure is an adhesive.

20. (Currently Amended) The device of Claim 13, wherein the light generating device is removably mounted to the first portion with one of ~~connection structure is selected from the group consisting of~~ a hook fastener, a loop fastener, a tab, a slot, a flat surface, and a latch, ~~and wherein the light generating device further comprises a structure mating with the connection structure.~~

21. (Currently Amended) The device of Claim 13, wherein the light generating device ~~comprises~~ includes a latch ~~that engages the connection structure.~~

22. (Currently Amended) The device of Claim 13, wherein the ~~connection structure comprises~~ first portion includes a latch.

23. (Original) The device of Claim 13, wherein the ~~connection structure comprises~~ first portion includes a magnet or a material that is magnetically attractive to a magnet.

24. (Currently Amended) A leveling device with a base, comprising:

a base comprising:

a first portion having a first planar surface that includes a concave recess ~~comprises a connection structure; and~~

a second portion attached to the first portion, the second portion having surface comprising a nonmechanical attachment structure opposite the first portion; and

the leveling generating device being removably mounted to the first surface portion along the first planar surface via the connection structure,

wherein the first portion is both pivotable and rotatable relative to the second portion ~~a portion of the connection structure is pivotably movable relative to the first surface.~~

25. (Original) The device of Claim 24, wherein the leveling device further comprises a retractable pin and an actuator for the pin.

26. (Original) The device of Claim 24, wherein the nonmechanical attachment structure is an adhesive.

27. (Currently Amended) The device of Claim 24, wherein the leveling device is removably mounted to the first portion by one connection structure ~~is selected from the group consisting of a magnet, a magnetically attractive material, a hook fastener, a loop fastener, a tab, a slot, a flat surface, and a latch.~~

28. (Currently Amended) The device of Claim 24, wherein the leveling device ~~comprises~~ includes a latch that engages the connection structure.

29. (Canceled) ~~The device of Claim 24, wherein the connection structure comprises a recess.~~

30. (Currently Amended) The device of Claim 24, wherein the first portion includes connection structure comprises a magnet or a material that is magnetically attracted to a magnet.

31. (Currently Amended) A movable base for a light generating device or a leveling device, comprising:

a first portion having a planar surface and a concave recess in the planar surface, that ~~comprises a connection structure to the planar surface~~ removably receive receiving and ~~mount~~ mounting either a light generating device or a leveling device thereto; and

a second portion ~~movably mounted to the first portion~~, the second portion including a nonmechanical attachment structure opposite the first portion,

wherein the second portion is attached to the first portion opposite the light generating device or leveling device and the first portion is both pivotable and rotatable relative to the second portion a ~~portion of the connection structure is pivotably movable relative to the surface~~.

32. (Canceled) ~~The base of Claim 31, wherein the second portion is swivelably mounted to the first portion.~~

33. (Canceled) ~~The base of Claim 31, wherein the connection structure further comprises a recess.~~

34. (Currently Amended) The base of Claim 31, wherein the first portion includes connection structure further comprises a material that is magnetically attracted to the light generating device or leveling device being mounted to the first portion.

35. (Currently Amended) The base of Claim 31, wherein the first portion ~~comprises~~ includes a curved inner surface and the second portion ~~comprises~~ includes a curved outer surface that receives the curved inner surface of the first portion when the first and second portions are attached to one another connection-structure.

36. (Original) The base of Claim 31, further comprising a retainer and a fastener for joining the first and second portions.

37. (Currently Amended) The base of Claim 31, wherein ~~the second portion further includes an attachment structure for attaching the base to a surface;~~ the nonmechanical attachment structure comprising comprises an adhesive.

38. (Original) The base of Claim 37, wherein the adhesive is a removable pressure-sensitive adhesive.

39. (Original) The base of Claim 37, wherein the adhesive protrudes from the second portion.

40. (Original) The base of Claim 37, wherein the adhesive further comprises a liner.

41. (Original) The base of Claim 31, wherein the first portion includes one connection-structure is selected from the group consisting of a magnet, a magnetically attractive material, a hook fastener, a loop fastener, a tab, a slot, a flat surface, a recess, and a latch.

42. (Currently Amended) A method of aligning objects on a surface, the method comprising:

inserting a light generating device into a movable base, the movable base ~~comprising including an outer a first~~ portion having a first planar surface that ~~comprises a connection structure to removably receive and mount~~ includes a concave recess, the light generating device being removably mounted to the first portion along the planar surface, the movable base further including thereto and an inner a second portion that ~~comprises an~~ includes a nonmechanical attachment structure opposite the first portion, the inner second portion pivotably and rotatably ~~movably~~ mounted to the first outer portion, ~~wherein a portion of the connection structure is pivotably movable relative to the first surface;~~

attaching the light generating device and movable base to a second wall surface with an adhesive;

orienting the light generating device in at least one plane using at least one bubble level and a movable feature on the light generating device; and

aligning at least one object on the second wall surface.

43. (Original) The method of Claim 42, wherein the adhesive is a removable pressure sensitive adhesive.

44. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 43, further comprising removing the light generating device and the movable base from the wall surface and discarding the adhesive.

45. (Currently Amended) A method of aligning objects on a surface, the method comprising:

inserting a leveling device into a movable base, the movable base comprising ~~including an outer~~ a first portion having a first planar surface that ~~comprises a connection structure includes a concave recess, to removably receive and mount~~ the leveling device being removably mounted to the first portion along the planar surface, the movable base further including thereto and an inner a second portion that ~~comprises~~ includes a nonmechanical ~~[[an]]~~ attachment structure opposite the first portion, the ~~inner~~ second portion pivotably and rotatably ~~movably~~ mounted to the ~~outer~~ first portion, wherein a portion of the ~~connection structure is pivotably movable relative to the first surface;~~

attaching the leveling device and movable base to a second wall surface with an adhesive;

orienting the leveling device in at least one plane using at least one bubble level and a movable feature on the leveling device; and

aligning at least one object on the ~~second~~ second wall surface.

46. (Original) The method of Claim 45, wherein the adhesive is a removable pressure sensitive adhesive.

47. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 45, further comprising removing the leveling device and the movable base from the ~~second~~ second wall surface and discarding the adhesive.

48. (Currently Amended) A kit for a light generating device with a base, comprising:

a container defining a volume of space;

a base positioned within the volume of space, the base comprising:

a first portion having a planar surface and a concave recess in the planar surface that comprises a connection structure, wherein a portion of the connection structure is pivotably movable relative to the first surface; and

a second surface portion attached to the first portion, the second portion including comprising a nonmechanical attachment structure opposite the first portion; and

a light generating device positioned within the volume of space so as to be unattached to the base, wherein the ~~connection structure~~ planar surface can be used to removably mount the light generating device to the first portion surface.

49. (Original) The kit of claim 48, wherein the light generating device generates a laser beam.

50. (Original) The kit of Claim 49, wherein the light generating device generates the laser beam with an asymmetric intensity.

51. (Original) The kit of Claim 48, wherein the light generating device generates light in the shape of a fan.

52. (Currently Amended) The kit of Claim 51, wherein the light generating device comprises a housing with ~~the at least one flat surface extending along a first planar surface and the fan substantially lies within a second plane that intersects the first planar a plane defined by the flat surface at an angle.~~

53. (Original) The kit of Claim 48, wherein the light generating device further comprises a retractable pin and an actuator for the pin.

54. (Original) The kit of Claim 48, wherein the nonmechanical attachment structure is an adhesive.

55. (Currently Amended) The kit of Claim 48, wherein the light generating device is removably mounted to the first portion with one connection structure is selected from the group consisting of a hook fastener, a loop fastener, a tab, a slot, a flat surface, and a latch.

56. (Currently Amended) The kit of Claim 48, wherein the light generating device comprises a latch that engages the first portion connection surface.

57. (Currently Amended) The kit of Claim 48, wherein the ~~connection structure~~ comprises planar surface includes a magnet.

58. (Currently Amended) The kit of Claim 48, wherein the planar surface includes connection structure ~~comprises~~ a material that is magnetically attracted to the light generating device.

59. (Currently Amended) A kit for a leveling device with a base, comprising:

a container defining a volume of space;

a base positioned within the volume of space, the base comprising:

a first surface portion including a planar surface and a concave recess in the planar surface that comprises a connection structure, wherein a portion of the connection structure is pivotably movable relative to the first surface; and

a second portion pivotably and rotatably attached to the first portion, the second portion including surface comprising a nonmechanical attachment structure opposite the first portion; and

a leveling device positioned within the volume of space so as to be unattached to the base, wherein the ~~connection structure~~ planar surface can be used to removably mount the leveling device to the first portion surface.

60. (Original) The kit of Claim 59, wherein the leveling device further comprises a retractable pin and an actuator for the pin.

61. (Original) The kit of Claim 59, wherein the nonmechanical attachment structure is an adhesive.

62. (Currently Amended) The kit of Claim 59, wherein the leveling device is removably mounted to the first portion with one connection structure is selected from the group consisting of a magnet, a magnetically attractive material, a hook fastener, a loop fastener, a tab, a slot, a flat surface, and a latch.

63. (Currently Amended) The kit of Claim 59, wherein the leveling device ~~comprises~~ includes a latch that engages the connection structure.

64. (Original) The kit of Claim 59, wherein the leveling device further comprises an automatic leveler selected from the group consisting of a pendulum, a cantilevered tilt mechanism, an electronic leveler, and a shaft held between journals.